

# Nevada Teen Driving QUICK TIPS

## Driver Education

Nearly all Nevada beginning drivers under 18 must complete a drivers education course from a public school or a private professional driving school. Exceptions are not made for home-schooled students. You can enroll at age 15. The course is not required to obtain an instruction permit. It is required for a driver license in urban areas and any rural area where a course is offered in high school.

## Instruction Permit Requirements

You must be 15½ years old and present proof of your name, date of birth and social security number. This is typically a state-issued birth certificate and a social security card. You must be a Nevada resident and provide a Nevada street address. Your parent or guardian must be present to sign a financial responsibility statement. You must pass the vision and knowledge tests and pay the licensing fee of \$21.75.

## Buckle Up!

Motor vehicle **crashes are the leading cause of death** for 15 to 20 year olds in the United States. (CDC)

Your younger **brothers and sisters** and all children under age 12 should sit **in the back seat**, properly restrained. **It's safer!**



## Driver License Requirements

While driving with an instruction permit, you must have a licensed driver 21 years or older who has been licensed for at least one year seated next to you at all times.

You must complete a minimum of 50 hours of behind the wheel experience. A parent or guardian attests that this training has been completed when you apply for your license.

To apply for a driver license, you must have held an instruction permit for at least:

- 90 days if you were under the age of 16 when the permit was issued.
- 60 days if you were at least 16 but under 17 when the permit was issued.
- 30 days if you were at least 17 but under 18 when the permit was issued. (NRS 483.250)

## Skills Test & Getting Your License

You must be at least 15¾ years old to apply for a drivers license. Contact the DMV to schedule a skills test when you have met all of the requirements. Be sure to bring:

- Instruction Permit
- Parent or Guardian
- Driver Education Certificate (if applicable)
- Vehicle with Valid Registration and Insurance

The examiner will inspect the vehicle for safety and give you instructions on where to drive for the test. Serious traffic violations result in automatic failure. Examiners use a point system to grade other aspects of performance.

If you fail, the examiner will explain why and instruct you on how to take the test again. If you pass, a driver license with a new photograph will be issued for a fee of \$2.25.

**KNOW YOUR LIMITS!**  
**Inexperience**  
**+ Distractions**  
**= Crashes & Injuries**

## Driving Restrictions

It is illegal to drive in violation of any local curfew law. (NRS 484.466)

Young drivers cannot transport any passenger under the age of 18, except for immediate family members, for one of the following time periods after the license was issued:

- 90 days if you were under the age of 16 when the license was issued.
- 60 days if you were at least 16 but under 17 when the license was issued.
- 30 days if you were at least 17 but under 18 when the license was issued. (NRS 483.253)

## Permit/License Cancellation or Suspension

Driving is a privilege, not a right. The parent or guardian who signed the financial responsibility statement for a driver under 18 years of age may cancel the license or permit by completing the DMV Minor Affidavit, Form DLD 38.

Courts can suspend your current or future driving privileges for any of the same reasons as adult licenses and also for alcohol/drug convictions, firearms violations or habitual truancy. (NRS Chap. 62)



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